

2. At the meeting of the Legislative Council held on the 7th September 1925 Mr. D. H. Chandrasekhariah moved a resolution to the effect that the above Government Order may be revised so as (1) to reduce the water rate to Rs. 5 per acre, (2) to increase the irrigable area from 10,180 acres to 12,000 acres and (3) to invest the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District, with the power of including or excluding lands from the irrigable area. An identical resolution was moved at the Dasara Representative Assembly Session in October 1925. On both occasions, the levy of the higher water rate was justified on behalf of Government, but in view of the representations it was promised, as a matter of concession, that the question would be reconsidered if the concerned raiyats came up to Government with their specific grievances.

3. Several petitions from the raiyats holding lands under the Vani Vilas Sagara have since been received praying for the retention of the water rate at Rs. 5 per acre and a deputation also waited upon the Dewan on the 6th October 1925 at Mysore, who represented the difficulties of labour and the poor quality of the soil in many parts of the tract and urged that the sudden rise of Rs. 3 per acre would not only be a hardship but would also act as a handicap to those who had already settled there.

4. After a careful consideration of the whole matter, hearing the representations of the raiyats and in consultation with the Revenue Commissioner, Government are pleased to direct that the water rate on the lands under Vani Vilas Sagara be fixed at Rs. 6½ per acre for the 3 years from 1st July 1925, and at Rs. 8 thereafter for a period of five years by which time the tract will be resettled along with the Hiriyur Taluk.

5. Government further direct that the power of inclusion in, or exclusion of any land from, the atchkat may be exercised by the Officers of the Public Works Department with the concurrence of the Deputy Commissioner, Chitaldrug District. But the total extent of irrigation should not be extended beyond the present limit of 10,180 acres, which has been fixed with due consideration of the capacity of the Reservoir under the changed conditions.

6. The Deputy Commissioner is requested to publish the necessary notification in accordance with this Government Order in the villages concerned and also arrange for the announcement of the rates during the Huzur Jamabandy.

B. SRINIVASA IYENGAR,

*Secretary to Government,
Revenue Department.*

RAILWAY SECRETARIAT.

Complaints against Railway authorities from the passengers.

READ—

Mr. G. Paramasiviah, Representative Assembly Member, Bangalore City, representing at the Dasara Session of the Representative Assembly of 1925, that it would be more convenient if a notice is pasted in each carriage saying that the complaint from the passengers against Railway authorities in the matter of their inconvenience should be brought to the notice of the authorities concerned.

ORDER NO. R. S. 1098-1102—RY. F. 55 G.25-26, DATED, MYSORE, THE 18TH
DECEMBER 1925.

The suggestion will be adopted.

C. DOVE-WILSON,
*Secretary for Railways,
Government of Mysore.*

Repairs to Railway Carriages.

READ—

Mr. K. Venkataswami Iyer, Nanjangud Urban and others representing at the Dasara Session of the Representative Assembly of 1925, that the windows and doors of most of the carriages are not in good order, etc., and praying for the issue of needful orders to see that all necessary repairs are undertaken by the Railway Department as early as possible and all defects noticed are removed.

ORDER No. R. S. 1089-93--Ry. F. 55 G.25-26, DATED, MYSORE, 18TH
DECEMBER 1925.

Defects in carriages brought to notice have been ordered to be remedied by the Railway authorities.

C. DOVE-WILSON,
*Secretary for Railways,
Government of Mysore.*

Construction of a Railway from Kadur to Chikmagalur.

READ—

Messrs. B. Kesavaiya and C. Syed Peer Sab, Chikmagalur and Mr. C. Srinivasa Rao, Indian Planting Constituency, representing at the Dasara Session of the Representative Assembly of 1925, that the construction of a railway from Kadur to Chikmagalur may be taken up immediately.

ORDER No. R. S. 1093-97--Ry. F. 55 G.25-26, DATED, MYSORE, THE 18TH
DECEMBER 1925.

The question regarding the construction of a railway to Chikmagalur is receiving the consideration of Government, and is under correspondence with the District Board. Final orders will issue at an early date.

C. DOVE-WILSON,
*Secretary for Railways,
Government of Mysore.*